GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
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OLD AGE PENSION THROUGH POST OFFICE
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that Old Age Pension is being given through the post offices;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the beneficiary has to himself fill up the withdrawal form;

(d) if so, whether the Government is contemplating to provide free of cost forms in all the post offices of the country;

(e) if so, whether the withdrawal forms not available in any of post offices of the country and the beneficiary has to purchase the form from the market; and

(f) if so, the time by which the process of making pension forms available in the post offices would be finalised?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) Yes, Sir. It is admitted that Old Age Pension is being paid through post offices.

(b) Old Age Pension is being paid in Bihar, Delhi, Jharkhand through post office savings bank and in Himachal Pradesh, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, through money orders.

(c) In case of withdrawal from post office savings bank account, the beneficiary is required to fill up a withdrawal form.

(d) Withdrawal form for the post office savings bank is available free of cost in all Post Offices in the country.

(e) Does not arise in view of (d) above.

(f) Does not arise in view of (e) above.